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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 366

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN MICROBIALS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 22a-65 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 5 October 1, 2015):
- 6 (d) The commissioner shall establish a Pesticide Advisory Council
- 7 consisting of [, but not limited to,] the director of the Agricultural
- 8 Experiment Station, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the
- 9 Commissioner of Public Health, and the dean of the college of

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10 agriculture of The University of Connecticut or their respective 11 designees. The council shall meet at least annually and the 12 commissioner may consult with the Pesticide Advisory Council on 13 technical matters involving the application and use of pesticides, the 14 determination of imminent hazards and the unreasonable adverse 15 effects on the environment before promulgating regulations or orders 16 in carrying out this part, subsection (a) of section 23-61a and sections 17 23-61b and 23-61f. Such council shall, on an ongoing basis, review 18 pesticides for safety and effectiveness and report the results of such 19 review to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection 20 for consideration in adopting regulations. The commissioner shall, in 21 consultation with the council, create, publish and regularly update a 22 report on best practices regarding the safe and effective use of synthetic and organic pesticides by municipalities. In accordance with 23 24 the provisions of section 11-4a, such report shall be submitted 25 annually, on or before January fifteenth to the joint standing committee 26 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the 27 environment.

- Sec. 2. Section 22a-65 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsections (e) and (f) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2015*):
- 30 (NEW) (e) The commissioner may establish a regional purchasing 31 program through which municipalities or regional councils of 32 government may purchase pesticides for a reduced price.
  - (f) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall, in consultation with the Pesticide Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22a-65, as amended by this act, review the integrated pest management monitoring Internet web site maintained by the state of Massachusetts for the purpose of determining whether to create a similar resource in the state of Connecticut. The commissioner shall submit a recommendation on such establishment to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment not later than February 1, 2016.

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Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 10-231b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 45 1, 2015):

(b) No person shall apply a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of any public or private [preschool or public or private] school, [with students in grade eight or lower, except that [(1) on and after January 1, 2006, until July 1, 2010, an application of a lawn care pesticide may be made at a public or private school [with students in grade eight or lower] on the playing fields and [playgrounds] grounds of such school pursuant to an integrated pest management plan, which plan (A) shall be consistent with the model pest control management plan developed by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to section 22a-66l, and (B) may be developed by a local or regional board of education for all public schools under its control, and (2) an emergency application of a lawn care pesticide may be made to eliminate a threat to human health, as determined by the local health director, the Commissioner of Public Health, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection or, in the case of a public school, the school superintendent. Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars and not more than two thousand dollars."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	22a-65(d)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2015	22a-65
Sec. 3	July 1, 2015	10-231b(b)

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